

combination of hardware and software components, with some components being implemented by a given function or operation of a hardware or software system, and many of the data paths illustrated being implemented by data communication within a computer application or operating system. The structure illustrated is thus provided for efficiency of teaching the present embodiments.

[0061] It should be noted that the embodiments can be carried out as a method, can be embodied in a system, a computer readable medium or an electrical or electro-magnetic signal.

[0062] The embodiments described above are intended to be exemplary only. The scope of the embodiments is therefore intended to be limited solely by the scope of the appended claims.

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1-17. (canceled)

18. A method, comprising:

receiving, at an electronic device, an application administration policy for managing a plurality of applications in an application container on the electronic device; and installing the received application administration policy on the electronic device.

19. The method of claim **18**, wherein the installation of the received application administration policy comprises storing the application administration policy in an application administration policy database on the electronic device.

20. The method of claim **18**, further comprising:

receiving, at the electronic device, a client administration policy for managing administration and privilege of the electronic device; and installing the received client administration policy on the electronic device.

21. The method of claim **20**, wherein installing the received client administration policy comprises storing the client administration policy in a client administration policy database on the electronic device.

22. The method of claim **21**, wherein the client administration policy database is distinct from an application administration policy database that stores the application administration policy.

23. The method of claim **20**, wherein the application administration policy and the client administration policy are received separately.

24. The method of claim **18**, wherein the application administration policy is received over a wireless link.

25. An electronic device, comprising:

at least one hardware processor;

one or more non-transitory computer-readable storage medium coupled to the at least one hardware processor and storing programming instructions for execution by the at least one hardware processor, wherein the programming instructions, when executed, cause the electronic device to perform operations comprising:

receiving, at the electronic device, an application administration policy for managing a plurality of applications in an application container on the electronic device; and

installing the received application administration policy on the electronic device.

26. The electronic device of claim **25**, wherein the installation of the received application administration policy comprises storing the application administration policy in an application administration policy database on the electronic device.

27. The electronic device of claim **25**, the operations further comprising:

receiving, at the electronic device, a client administration policy for managing administration and privilege of the electronic device; and

installing the received client administration policy on the electronic device.

28. The electronic device of claim **27**, wherein installing the received client administration policy comprises storing the client administration policy in a client administration policy database on the electronic device.

29. The electronic device of claim **28**, wherein the client administration policy database is distinct from an application administration policy database that stores the application administration policy.

30. The electronic device of claim **27**, wherein the application administration policy and the client administration policy are received separately.

31. The electronic device of claim **25**, wherein the application administration policy is received over a wireless link.

32. One or more non-transitory computer-readable media containing instructions which, when executed, cause an electronic device to perform operations comprising

receiving, at the electronic device, an application administration policy for managing a plurality of applications in an application container on the electronic device; and installing the received application administration policy on the electronic device.

33. The one or more non-transitory computer-readable media of claim **32**, wherein the installation of the received application administration policy comprises storing the application administration policy in an application administration policy database on the electronic device.

34. The one or more non-transitory computer-readable media of claim **32**, the operations further comprising:

receiving, at the electronic device, a client administration policy for managing administration and privilege of the electronic device; and

installing the received client administration policy on the electronic device.

35. The one or more non-transitory computer-readable media of claim **34**, wherein installing the received client administration policy comprises storing the client administration policy in a client administration policy database on the electronic device.

36. The one or more non-transitory computer-readable media of claim **35**, wherein the client administration policy database is distinct from an application administration policy database that stores the application administration policy.

37. The one or more non-transitory computer-readable media of claim **34**, wherein the application administration policy and the client administration policy are received separately.

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